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ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE FIRE MARSHAL

FOR THE PROVINCE OF

NEW BRUNSWICK

STATISTICS, 1968

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THE HONOURABLE WALLACE S. BIRD

Lieutenant-Governor of The Province of New Brunswick.

May it please Your Honour:

I have the honour to submit herewith The Annual Report of The Fire Marshal, Province of New Brunswick, for the calendar year ended December 31, 1968.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,

BERNARD JEAN, Q.C.

Minister of Justice.

HONOURABLE BERNARD JEAN, Q.C.
Minister of Justice,
Province of New Brunswick.

Sir:

Pursuant to Section 5, Fire Prevention Act R.S.N.B., Chapter 86, 1952 I have the honour to submit the Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the year ending December 31, 1968.

The recorded fire losses in New Brunswick, compiled from reports received up to February 15, 1969 are placed at $4,331,661, total fires 1221 as compared with a loss of $3,476,562 and 1193 fires in 1967; an increase of $855,099 in the monetary loss, an increase of 28 in the number of fires, an increase of $953,282 in the insurance loss and a decrease of $98,183 in the uninsured loss.

Municipalities are as previously shown with newly incorporated villages that were in existence at the beginning of the year shown separately. Those incorporated during 1968 will be shown separate in our 1969 report. The number of cities and towns remain the same i/e six cities, 21 towns.

The breakdown of losses by cities, towns, villages and rural areas (counties) is clearly shown in Table No. 1. The per capita loss, provincial, city, town and rural is shown in Table No. 6. We are still unable to accurately break down the per capita loss for villages due to various and different stages of incorporation. The per capita loss of the villages is, therefore, included in the rural figures. It may be possible to do this later if felt desirable.

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The report also contains summary of other work carried on by this office during the year broken down into divisions as near as it is possible to do so, however, all phases of our work have steadily increased with many added duties and responsibilities. This increase is most evident in the work that we are now required to perform for other provincial government departments i/e the Department of Health and Welfare, Department of Municipal Affairs, Provincial Secretary, Public Works, Labour, Education etc., it is difficult to give more than a summation of this work in this report. It is very evident that public interest and cooperation in the important field of fire prevention and control is increasing each year.

During the year particular attention was given to Fire Prevention Education in all its various phases, new projects which were undertaken during 1967 were followed up and others developed. The investigation of fires continues to be an important part of our work, however, with the increase in other duties, particularly those effecting other provincial government departments, the question of suitable staff for this particular part of our work has been considered and a recommendation made for the setting up of a separate fire investigation section under the direction of a competent investigator who can work with the various police and fire departments in this most important field, thus freeing other members of our staff for more inspection and other important work which is so necessary if we are to continue to reduce our fire losses and the loss of life from fire.

Looking at fire losses generally, even although they are larger than they should be and the loss of life in fires, particularly children is appalling, everything possible is being done to reduce the losses and particularly the loss of life. Generally speaking New Brunswick's fire loss is amongst the lowest in

Canada, in fact study of old statistical records will indicate a steady reduction in the over all loss during the last 40 years. With respect to the increase in the 1968 loss we must note that two fires, one in Fredericton and one in Saint John actually accounted for $1,411,744 out of the total loss of $4,331,661.

The first of the three planned provincially sponsored and financed firemen's training schools under the direction of our Director of Training and Education was held at the Maritime Forest Ranger School at Fredericton from May 27-31, 1968 with a total enrollment of 95 representing 65 New Brunswick fire departments. This school was most popular and beneficial. Plans are now being formulated for the holding of the second school in 1970. In addition regional schools were held at various points throughout the province and assistance and direction given wherever training was needed at the local level. The results are very evident in the increased interest in fire prevention and protection and above all efficiency in the performance of their duties and responsibilities particularly in our smaller municipal volunteer departments who are taking full advantage of the opportunities now being offered to them by these provincially sponsored and financed training schools and programs.

During the year there were several changes in staff personnel. The senior member of our clerical staff retired to pension after 26 years service. Deputy Fire Marshal F. J. Fournier, who had been in charge of our Edmlndston area office for the past 11 years, retired to pension. A branch office was opened at the City of Saint John, which fills a much felt need. Vacancies in the clerical staff were filled by promotion and appointment. The vacant position created by the retirement of Mr. Fournier has been filled by the appointment of Deputy Fire Marshal R. J. Gervais and the Edmundston area office moved from Edmundston to St. Leonard. Deputy Fire Marshal M. A. Vincent was transferred from Fredericton to assume direction of the Saint John area branch. He will also continue to serve as Director of Training and Education as required.

Once again we have been most fortunate in that no fires of any serious consequence occurred in institutional buildings, hospitals, homes for the aged, nursing homes, boarding homes for children etc. These places of public assembly and/or sleeping accommodation receive and will continue to receive special attention. As a study of the various tables in this report will indicate, there has been nothing new in the cause of fires and as usual most fires occur in homes and most fire deaths occur in homes with children being the unfortunate victims, which in far too many cases is nothing but carlessness and neglect. Our educational programs must, therefore, be aimed at the home and parents and all those responsible for the safety of children, bearing in mind that the home is outside the jurisdiction of actual statutory control such as now exercised over places of public assembly and sleeping accommodation etc.

We are convinced that safety campaigns can work; but only with the support of the public and without public participation and interest no such work will succeed. It would apear that from the increase in our work we are receiving public interest and support in this particular safety field; but more is needed if we are to further reduce our fire losses and the unfortunate loss of life from fire.

In conclusion, Sir, I wish to express appreciation of the support and cooperation received from all Government Departments, Insurance Companies, Insurance Adjusters, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Municipal Police Forces, the Fire Underwriters Investigation Bureau, the New Brunswick Board of Underwriters and all others with whom we have the pleasure to work. The splendid co-operative relations existing between this Department and all Fire Chiefs and members of this department continued throughout the year. To my loyal and efficient staff I extend my sincere thanks for a job well done. We look back on a year of accomplishment and look forward to a year of still greater effort in all the many and varied duties we perform.

I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

E. J. STURGEON,
Fire Marshal.

Fredericton, N. B.
February 26, 1969.

TABLE NO. 1

Showing the number of fires in the Province of New Brunswick, with the estimated amounts of losses suffered and amounts covered by insurance for the year 1968

COUNTY	No. of Fires	Loss	Insurance Loss	Uninsured Loss
ALBERT COUNTY	3	$ 20,176	$ 19,761	$ 415
Alma				
Bridgedale				
Gunningsville	4	372	372	
Hillsboro				
Riverside - Albert	1	30	30	
Riverview Heights	8	1,713	1,713	
Surrey				
CARLETON COUNTY	29	122,778	83,785	38,993
Bath				
Bristol	4	26,910	20,292	6,618
Centreville	1	910	910	
Florenceville	4	13,810	12,510	1,300
Hartland	1	29,649	18,689	10,960
Woodstock	17	265,494	214,484	51,010
CHARLOTTE COUNTY	40	74,260	48,585	25,675
Milltown	3	1,030	1,030	
North Head				
St. Andrews	6	560	560	
St. George	9	4,103	4,103	
St. Stephen	15	11,661	7,261	4,400
Seal Cove				
Black's Harbour	1	259	259	
GLOUCESTER COUNTY	20	206,266	147,406	58,860
Bathurst	17	71,532	66,581	4,951
Caraquet				
Beresford	1	23,504	14,000	9,504
Lameque	4	217	217	
Lower Caraquet				
Paquetville				
Petit Rocher				
Pointe Verte	1	1,000	1,000	
Shippegan	3	15,171	15,171	
Tracadie	3	128	128	
Nigadoo	4	40,549	20,120	20,429
KENT COUNTY	4	30,190	23,525	6,665
Buctouche	1	95	95	
Harcourt				
Rexton	1	2,701	2,701	
Richibucto	1	1,000	1,000	
St. Anthony	1	27	27	
St. Louis de Kent				
KINGS COUNTY	24	66,639	64,230	2,409
Apohaqui				
East Riverside - Kinghurst	3	3,137	3,137	
Fair Vale	1	13	13	
Gondola Point				
Hampton	1	200	200	
Havelock	2	433	433	
Norton				
Pamdenec	4	36,680	32,765	3,915
Penobsquis				
Quispamsis	1	457	457	
Renforth	4	457	457	
Rothesay	2	13,892	8,299	5,593
Sussex	13	6,931	6,931	
Sussex Corner	3	5,723	5,723	
Westfield	1	392	392	
TOTALS FORWARD	266	$1,101,049	$ 849,352	$ 251,697

TABLE NO 1—(Continued)

Showing the number of fires in the Province of New Brunswick, with the estimated amounts of losses suffered and amounts covered by insurance for the year 1968

COUNTY	No. of Fires	Loss	Insurance Loss	Uninsured Loss
BROUGHT FORWARD	266	$1,101,049	$ 849,352	$ 251,697
MADAWASKA COUNTY	35	29,248	23,248	6,000
Clair	6	391	391	
Edmundston	115	18,468	18,468	
Riviere Verte	2	143	143	
Ste. Anne De Madawaska	2	216	216	
St. Basile	7	524	524	
St. Francois DeMadawaska	3	4,044	4,044	
St. Jacques	7	1,674	1,674	
St. Leonard	8	10,816	10,816	
Baker Brook	4	171,361	101,553	69,808
Baker Lake	5	1,058	1,058	
St. Andre	3	3,169	3,169	
St. Hilaire	3	751	751	
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY	23	98,899	55,669	40,230
Blackville	4	39,386	25,222	14,164
Boiestown	1	11,600	9,600	2,000
Chatham	10	32,007	21,356	10,651
Doaktown	2	4,055	4,055	
Douglastown	2	12,141	2,141	10,000
Loggieville	2	259	259	
Millerton				
Nelson and Miramichi	1	78	78	
Newcastle	12	10,780	10,780	
Rogersville				
QUEENS COUNTY	13	62,884	43,843	19,041
Cambridge-Narrows				
Chipman	5	106,899	91,899	15,000
Gagetown	1	1,200	1,200	
RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY	17	109,472	75,121	34,351
Atholville	1	20,549	20,549	
Campbellton	4	7,227	7,227	
Colborne	1	9,616	5,000	4,616
Dalhousie	10	77,082	77,082	
Eel River Crossing	1	756	756	
Jacquet River				
Kedgwick				
St. Quentin				
Tide Head	4	6,807	6,657	150
SUNBURY COUNTY	10	27,061	26,319	742
Fredericton Junction				
Minto	4	73,315	53,392	19,923
Oromocto	2	226	226	
Tracy				
SAINT JOHN COUNTY	4	6,048	6,048	
Saint John City	225	630,842	498,789	132,053
St. Martins	1	3,000	3,000	
VICTORIA COUNTY	33	123,736	102,041	21,695
Grand Falls	26	16,599	14,599	2,000
Perth - Andover	5	9,041	8,741	300
Plaster Rock	2	618	618	
Aroostook	1	277	277	
Drummond	4	6,707	6,707	
TOTALS FORWARD	897	$2,852,079	$2,184,658	$ 402,724

TABLE NO 1—(Continued)

Showing the number of fires in the Province of New Brunswick, with the estimated amounts of losses suffered and amounts covered by insurance for the year 1968

COUNTY	No. of Fires	Loss	Insurance Loss	Uninsured Loss
BROUGHT FORWARD	897	$2,852,079	$2,184,658	$ 402,724
WESTMORLAND COUNTY	21	8,943	6,905	2,038
Chartersville				
Dieppe	8	757	757	
Dorchester	2	180	180	
East Shediac				
Lewisville	3	314	314	
Memramcook				
Moncton	115	87,677	82,023	5,654
Petitcodiac				
Point du Chene	2	252	252	
Port Elgin				
Sackville	7	4,078	4,078	
St. Anselme	2	78	78	
St. Joseph				
Salisbury				
Shediac	6	12,537	5,222	7,315
YORK COUNTY	37	91,096	66,672	24,424
Barker's Point	3	463	463	
Canterbury	4	1,984	1,184	800
Fredericton	76	1,140,366	1,099,662	40,704
Harvey	2	51	51	
Marysville	16	24,142	19,142	5,000
McAdam	2	200	200	
Meductic				
Millville	1	21	21	
Napadogan	1	174	174	
Nashwaaksis	13	108,956	98,074	10,882
Stanley	3	313	313	
TOTALS	1,221	$4,331,661	$3,580,423	$ 751,238

TABLE No. 2

ANALYSIS OF CAUSES OF FIRE for the Year 1968

Class No.	CAUSE	No. of Fires	Amount of Loss	Insurance Loss	Uninsured Loss
	ELECTRICAL				
1.	Appliances	82	$ 21,807	$ 16,807	$ 5,000
2.	Exposure to Appliance (Clothing)	4	257	257	
3.	Batteries and Battery Chargers	1	160	160	
4.	Improper Entrances (Power Surges, etc.)				
5.	Overloaded Circuits, Wiring, etc.	98	952,424	708,451	243,973
6.	Television and Radio	19	2,477	2,477	
7.	Miscellaneous				
8.	Lightning (Buildings Rodded)				
9.	Lightning (Buildings not Rodded)	28	40,859	32,564	8,295
9.A	Electric Motors	8	889,621	885,457	4,164
	EXPOSURE				
10.	From Adjacent Buildings	9	439,202	361,763	77,439
11.	From Grass Fires, Bonfires, etc.	7	2,380	2,380	
12.	From Forest Fires	6	14,835	9,135	5,700
13.	Miscellaneous	6	652	652	
	EXPLOSIONS				
14.	Fire Crackers, Sparklers, etc.	2	612	612	
15.	Tar, Pitch, Paint, Varnish	1	339	339	
16.	Dynamite, Gun Powder, etc.				
	HEATING EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATIONS				
17.	Chimneys, Flues, Pipes, etc.	63	78,681	51,193	27,488
18.	Exposure to (Clothing, etc.)	3	251	251	
19.	Fire Places	18	36,413	30,666	5,747
20.	Insufficient Insulation				
21.	Natural and Artificial Gas Stoves				
22.	Oil Burning Equipment	125	229,975	185,580	44,395
23.	Salamanders	1	12,052	12,052	
24.	Stoves, Furnaces, etc. (Solid Fuel)	6	13,735	13,735	
25.	Steam and Hot Water Pipes				
26.	Sparks on Roofs	5	9,767	5,467	4,300
27.	Miscellaneous	7	38,794	27,482	11,312
	INCENDIARISM				
28.	Indictable Offences	5	58,778	53,739	5,039
29.	Mischief (not amounting to arson)	2	1,839	1,839	
	OVERHEATING AND DISPOSAL				
30.	Ashes, Rubbish, etc.	7	12,300	12,300	
31.	Cooking Utensils	18	2,691	2,691	
32.	Friction	2	4,425	4,425	
33.	Grease Oil, Wax, etc.	78	60,887	56,387	4,500
34.	Hot and Molten Metal	1	1,184	1,184	
35.	Spontaneous Ignition	5	7,417	7,417	
	PETROLEUM PRODUCTS				
36.	Blow Torches and Welding Torches	16	94,494	73,494	21,000
37.	Cleaning Purposes				
38.	Gas Installations and Piping	3	81,322	55,958	25,364
39.	Gasoline Motors	7	116,527	83,883	32,644
40.	Gases in Storage or in Transit				
41.	Improper Handling and Storage	6	4,315	3,639	676
42.	Lamps, Candles, etc.	8	1,625	1,625	
43.	Lighting fires with				
44.	Paint and Varnish (Overheated)				
45.	Portable Gasoline and Gas Stoves	3	4,107	4,107	
46.	Miscellaneous	4	2,594	2,594	
	SMOKING AND MATCHES				
47.	Children Playing with Matches	34	50,176	39,450	10,726
48.	Careless Handling of Matches	4	4,679	4,679	
49.	Smoking in Bed	12	6,705	6,705	
50.	Other Smokers Carelessness	342	238,708	197,197	41,511
	UNKNOWN				
51.	Intruders	14	46,047	42,444	3,603
52.	Other Unknown	137	723,251	555,583	167,668
53.	**MISCELLANEOUS**				
54.	Mischievous Acts of Children	14	22,297	21,603	694
	TOTAL	1,221	$4,331,661	$3,580,423	$ 751,238

TABLE No. 3

Classification of PROPERTIES DAMAGED by Fire for the Year 1968

Class No.	CLASS OF PROPERTY	No. of Fires	Amount of Loss	Insurance Loss	Uninsured Loss
	ASSEMBLY (Group A)				
50.	Churches (Protected)	1	1,472	1,472	
51.	Churches (Unprotected)	6	6,913	6,913	
52.	Churches Roman Catholic (Protected)				
53.	Churches Roman Catholic (Unprotected)				
54.	Clubs and Lodge Rooms	8	45,663	39,302	6,361
55.	Community Halls	2	7,317	5,147	2,170
56.	Dance Halls				
57.	Rinks and Exhibition Buildings	1	3,000	1,000	2,000
58.	Schools and Colleges (non-resid.)	3	5,535	5,535	
59.	Theatres				
60.	Miscellaneous	2	14,433	10,878	3,555
	COMMERCIAL (Group C)				
61.	Blacksmith Shops & Maint'nce Garages				
62.	Cold Storage and Refrigeration Plants				
63.	Henneries and Hatcheries	5	31,553	25,753	5,800
64.	Laundries and Dry Cleaning	5	6,909	6,909	
65.	Machine Shops	1	914	914	
66.	Office and Bank	11	127,421	100,692	26,729
67.	Printing Establishments				
68.	Public Garages and Service Stations	5	35,231	28,555	6,676
69.	Potato Warehouses	13	88,886	84,119	4,767
70.	Restaurants and Dining Halls	17	153,100	114,479	38,621
71.	Stores (Protected)	19	1,219,480	1,190,723	28,757
72.	Store Warehouses (Protected)	2	98,485	87,603	10,882
73.	Stores (Unprotected)	2	30,209	20,042	10,167
74.	Store Warehouses (Unprotected)	13	151,818	126,035	25,783
75.	Miscellaneous				
	MANUFACTURING (Group C)				
76.	Factories (Protected)	6	380,619	257,141	123,478
77.	Factories (Unprotected)	2	93,761	70,933	22,828
78.	Grist Mills, Flour & Feed Mills				
79.	Paper Mills	1	20,549	20,549	
80.	Pulp Wood and Loose Pulp	2	2,368	2,368	
81.	Saw Mills	5	106,748	49,075	57,673
82.	Woodworking Plants	1	5,000	5,000	
83.	Sawn Lumber				
84.	Seafood Packing Establishments				
85.	Warehouses	3	13,656	13,656	
86.	Miscellaneous	5	8,893	8,893	
	INSTITUTIONAL (Group B)				
87.	Homes for Children and Old People				
88.	Hospitals and Sanatoria	5	1,240	1,240	
89.	Private Nursing & Convalescent Homes	1	5,468	5,468	
90.	Prisons, Gaols and Asylums				
91.	Miscellaneous				
	RESIDENTIAL (Group D)				
92.	Apartment and Rooming Houses	121	186,142	163,899	22,243
93.	Dwellings (Protected)	531	359,620	319,453	40,167
94.	Dwellings (Unprotected)	294	778,480	554,226	224,254
95.	Dwellings — Farm	20	28,467	17,867	10,600
96.	Hotels	4	1,851	1,851	
97.	Hunting Lodges and Camps	7	41,979	23,555	18,424
98.	Mobile Homes, Trailers, etc.	11	31,896	29,702	2,194
99.	Motels	6	1,851	1,851	
100.	Residential Colleges, Schools, etc.	1	3,264	3,264	
101.	Summer Cottages, Tourist Camps	35	139,123	113,340	25,783
102.	Miscellaneous				
	ACCESSORY (Group E)				
103.	Barns	24	69,124	43,598	25,526
104.	Detached Buildings and Sheds	11	12,765	11,965	800
105.	Private Garages	8	10,283	5,283	5,000
106.	Miscellaneous	1	175	175	
	MECHANICAL (not stored)				
107.	Automotive				
108.	Machinery				
109.	Marine				
	TOTAL	1,221	$4,331,661	$3,580,423	$ 751,238

TABLE No. 4

SUMMARY OF FIRE LOSSES BY MAJOR CAUSES AND OCCUPANCIES IN NEW BRUNSWICK DURING 1968

ITEMS	ORIGINATING CAUSES	ASSEMBLY 50 — 60	COM-MERCIAL 61 — 75	GARAGES 68	MANU-FACTUR-ING 76 — 86	RESI-DENTIAL 87 — 102	MISCEL-ANEOUS 103 — 109	TOTAL
1-7	Electrical	$ 1,472	$ 181,468	$ 101	$ 382,336	$ 386,076	$ 25,672	$ 977,125
8-9	Lightning	468	3,500			34,391	2,500	40,859
9A	Electric Motors		877,955		553	11,113		889,621
10-13	Forest and Grass Fires	35,427	337,700		1,200	74,445	8,297	457,069
14-16	Explosions					451	500	951
17	Chimneys, Flues, Pipes, etc.	350	7,257			71,074		78,681
18-27	Heating Equip. & Instal	442	105,959		54,806	168,263	1,750	331,220
26	Sparks on Roofs					9,767		9,767
28-29	Incendiarism	27,585		11,049	13,044	8,939		60,617
30	Hot Ashes, Coals, Rubbish					13,450		13,450
31-34	Hot Grease, Oil, Metal, etc.		19,294		4,425	44,318		68,037
35	Spontaneous Ignition		837			6,580		7,417
36-46	Petroleum Products	4,202	128,714	23,800	68,034	76,471	2,138	303,359
42	Open Lights, Candles, etc.					1,625		1,625
47-50	Smoking and Matches	4,057	34,457		92,374	155,929	13,351	300,168
51-52	Unknown	10,330	203,947	281	13,654	503,047	38,139	769,398
53	Miscellaneous							
54	Misc. Acts of Children		7,687		1,168	13,442		22,297
		$ 84,333	$1,908,775	$ 35,231	$ 631,594	$1,579,381	$ 92,347	$4,331,661

TABLE No. 5

SUMMARY OF FIRES IN NEW BRUNSWICK, FOR YEARS 1966, 1967, 1968

Month	1966				1967				1968			
	No. Fires	Property Loss	Insurance Loss	Loss not covered by Insurance	No. Fires	Property Loss	Insurance Loss	Loss not covered by Insurance	No. Fires	Property Loss	Insurance Loss	Loss not covered by Insurance
January	111	$ 396,786	$ 319,974	$ 76,812	97	$ 244,729	$ 188,852	$ 55,877	100	$ 199,477	$ 169,028	$ 30,449
February	150	372,544	259,566	112,978	105	127,880	103,378	24,502	113	497,425	426,315	71,110
March	138	627,211	560,925	66,286	113	435,496	353,480	82,016	122	410,640	331,379	79,261
April	135	190,147	142,999	47,148	132	533,926	309,184	224,742	101	1,495,775	1,316,666	179,109
May	118	394,013	339,431	54,582	96	562,667	408,552	154,115	92	256,265	192,240	64,025
June	124	553,527	517,546	35,981	121	199 887	176,589	23,298	96	163,376	138,089	25,287
July	115	278,540	208,723	69,817	77	232,997	208 276	24,721	79	362,621	268,718	93,903
August	91	186,781	159,837	26,944	93	230,381	164,376	66,005	130	237,440	190,290	47,150
September	108	297,167	228,642	68,525	78	210,210	159,287	50,923	87	173,608	143,594	30,014
October	88	192,458	182,601	9,857	94	224,837	186,199	38,638	99	188,456	132,676	55,780
November	86	1,220,253	1,055,927	164,326	81	155 715	122,915	32,800	99	241,887	195,964	45,923
December	145	1,204,906	1,085,568	119,338	106	317,837	246,053	71,784	103	104,691	75,464	29,227
	1,409	$5,914,333	$5,061,739	$ 852,594	1,193	$3,476,562	$2,627,141	$ 849,421	1,221	$4,331,661	$3,580,423	$ 751,238

TABLE No. 6

COMPARATIVE LOSSES IN MUNICIPALITIES, 1968

MUNICIPALITY	Estimated Population (1966 Census)	Property Loss 1968	Loss Per Capita 1968
BATHURST	15,256	$ 71,532	$ 4.69
CAMPBELLTON	10,175	7,227	.71
CARAQUET	3,047	.....	.....
CHATHAM	8,136	32,007	3.93
DALHOUSIE	6,107	77,082	12.62
DIEPPE	3,847	757	.20
EDMUNDSTON	12,517	18,468	1.48
FREDERICTON	22,460	1,140,366	50.77
GRAND FALLS	4,152	16,599	4.00
HARTLAND	1,034	29,649	28.67
MARYSVILLE	3,572	24,142	6.76
MILLTOWN	1,952	1,030	.52
MONCTON	45,847	87,677	1.91
NEWCASTLE	5,911	10,780	1.82
OROMOCTO	14,112	226	.02
ROTHESAY	893	13,892	15.56
SAINT JOHN	102,000	630,842	6.18
SACKVILLE	3,186	4,078	1.28
ST. ANDREWS	1,719	560	.33
ST. STEPHEN	3,285	11,661	3.55
ST. GEORGE	1,104	4,103	3.72
ST. LEONARD	1,635	10,816	6.62
SHEDIAC	2,134	12,537	5.87
SHIPPEGAN	1,744	15,171	8.70
SUSSEX	3,607	6,931	1.92
TRACADIE	2,018	128	.06
WOODSTOCK	4,442	265,494	59.77

COMPARATIVE LOSSES

	Estimated Population	Property Loss 1968	Loss Per Capital 1968	Loss 1967
Six N. B. Cities	208,255	$1,956,112	$ 9.39	$1,173,339
Twenty-One N. B. Towns	77,637	537,643	6.92	333,894
Rural (Includes Villages See Table No. 1)	330,896	1,837,906	5.55	1,969,329
Provincial Per Capita Loss	616,788	$4,331,661	$ 7.02	$3,476,562

TABLE No. 7

FIRE LOSSES IN NEW BRUNSWICK FOR TEN YEARS, 1959-1968 Inclusive

Year	No. Fires	Property Loss	Insurance Loss
1959	2,438	3,726,872	2,793,149
1960	2,204	4,766,056	3,463,617
1961	2,081	3,667,612	2,697,583
1962	1,972	3,155,172	2,602,926
1963	1,637	4,529,053	3,657,002
1964	1,750	4,285,010	3,369,852
1965	1,747	3,766,380	3,052,958
1966	1,409	5,914,333	5,061,739
1967	1,193	3,476,562	2,627,141
1968	1,221	4,331,661	3,580,423
	17,652	$41,618,711	$32,908,390

TABLE No. 8

CHIEF FIRES FOR THE YEAR 1968 — $20,000 AND OVER

DATE	OCCUPANCY	LOCATION	Property Loss	Insured Loss	Presumed Cause
Jan. 18/68	Public Garage & Exposures	Blackville, Northumberland Co., N.B.	$ 22,124	$ 16,124	Welding Torch Ignited
Jan. 10/68	Pulp and Paper Mill	Atholville, Restigouche Co., N. B.	20,549	20,549	Oil Furnace Overheating
Jan. 23/68	Mercantile Store and Exposures	Fredericton, York Co., N. B.	1,070,057	1,042,853	Spark from Electric Motor
Jan. 31/68	Dwelling	Newcastle Bridge, Queens Co., N. B.	28,803	14,000	Short in Electrical Wiring
Feb. 4/68	Mercantile Store and Exposures	Woodstock, Carleton Co., N. B.	119,184	93,330	Flooded Oil Stove
Feb. 9/68	Supermarket	Dalhousie, Restigouche Co., N. B.	61,656	61,656	Electrical Short Circuit
Feb. 17/68	Bakery and Exposures	Fredericton, York Co., N. B.	24,427	15,627	Unknown
Feb. 20/68	Store Warehouse and Exposures	Nashwaaksis, York Co., N. B.	83,603	83,603	Unknown
Feb. 23/68	Slaughterhouse	Marysville, York Co., N. B.	21,000	16,000	Electrical Wiring
Feb. 25/68	Dwelling	Baker Brook, Madawaska Co., N. B.	23,000	11,200	Electrical Wiring
Mar. 8/68	Saw Mill	Nigadoo, Gloucester Co., N. B.	29,434	9,005	Faulty Electrical Wiring
Mar. 8/68	Seven-Up, Sussex Bottling Plant	Saint John, St. John Co., N. B.	341,687	229,209	Electrical Wiring
Mar. 22/68	Private Dwelling	Beresford, Gloucester Co., N. B.	23,504	14,000	Unknown
May 3/68	Restaurant and Exposures	Woodstock, Carleton Co., N. B.	100,424	86,114	Electrical Wiring
May 16/68	Mercantile Store	Minto, Sunbury Co., N. B.	45,298	27,314	Faulty Operation of Oil Fired Furnace
May 26/68	Boat Building Shop	Middle Caraquet, Glou. Co., N. B.	82,828	60,000	Cigarette
May 29/68	Planing Mill and Exposures	Baker Brook, Madawaska Co., N. B.	67,943	35,300	Explosion in Diesel Engine
June 6/68	Summer Dwelling	Pamdenac, Kings Co., N. B.	23,915	20,000	Unknown
July 24/68	Apartments and Garage	Chipman, Queens Co., N. B.	55,890	40,890	Spark from Torch
July 15/68	Piggery	Chipman, Queens Co., N. B.	47,527	47,527	Tractor Backfired and Set Fire to Building
Sept. 7/68	Laboratory and Offices	Bathurst, Gloucester Co., N. B.	30,353	30,353	Unknown
Sept. 8/68	Lime Kilns and Bagging Plant	Saint John, St. John Co., N. B.	34,257	23,257	Spark from Lime Kiln
Sept. 14/68	Legion Building	Minto, Sunbury Co., N. B.	27,585	25,646	Arson
Oct. 17/68	Store and Exposures	Hartland, Carleton Co., N. B.	29,649	18,689	Cigarette
Oct. 22/68	Sports Camp	Howards, Northumberland Co., N. B.	20,300	10,000	Unknown
Nov. 11/68	Restaurant	Baker Brook, Madawaska Co., N. B.	80,364	55,000	Gas Installation

TABLE No. 9

Number of Petty Losses, Cigarette Scorches, etc., occasioning damage to Furniture, Clothing and Personal Effects of $25.00 or less.

Number Fires	Property Loss	Insurance Loss
115	$2,045.00	$2,045.00

TABLE No. 10

STATEMENT OF FATALITIES 1968

ORIGINATING CAUSE	Men	Women	Children	Total
Smoking in Bed	4	1		5
Careless Smoking	1			1
Wood Burning Stove			3	3
Children Playing with Matches			3	3
Chimney Fire			2	2
Faulty Oil Furnace		1	3	4
Clothing Ignited by Kitchen Oil Stove	1			1
Undetermined	4	4	4	12
	10	6	15	31

STATEMENT OF INJURED, 1968

ORIGINATING CAUSE	Men	Women	Children	Total
Oil Fired Furnace	1		1	2
Children Playing with Matches			2	2
Clothing Ignited	1	1		2
Gasoline Fumes Ignited	2			2
Careless Handling of Naptha Gas	1		2	3
Carless Smoking	1			1
Cooking Fat Ignited		1		1
Faulty Electrical Wiring		1		1
Bolstering Fire with Diesel Oil	1			1
Undetermined	5	3		8
	12	6	5	23

TABLE No. 11

Report of Inspections Made By Fire Marshal's Staff—1968

COUNTY	Inspections	Re-Inspections	Conditions Remedied	Investigations	F. M. Orders Served	Meetings and Organization Lectures
ALBERT	40	20	30	12	2	6
CHARLOTTE	70	40	40	10	2	4
CARLETON	80	70	40	10	—	4
GLOUCESTER	85	60	50	30	3	15
KENT	50	40	30	20	2	8
KINGS	30	20	15	12	—	5
MADAWASKA	60	40	30	10	1	10
NORTHUMBERLAND	65	50	40	20	6	7
QUEENS	30	25	25	12	2	4
RESTIGOUCHE	50	35	30	20	2	5
SUNBURY	35	30	30	14	—	6
SAINT JOHN	40	25	25	20	—	8
VICTORIA	40	30	27	10	—	5
WESTMORLAND	150	100	100	55	3	14
YORK	70	60	50	30	3	20
TOTALS	895	645	562	285	18	121

PROSECUTIONS ENTERED DURING YEAR
CRIMINAL CODE

Charged	20
Convicted	16
Dismissed	4
Pending	0

FIRE PREVENTION ACT

Charged	3
Convicted	3
Fireworks Control Act (Charged and Convicted)	2

INSPECTION OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, FIRE PREVENTION EDUCATION ACTIVITIES and LIGHTNING ROD ACT ENFORCEMENT

Hospital Inspections		25
Plans of Buildings Examined		450
Schools Inspected		60
Theatres Inspected		14
Dance Halls Inspected		40
Nursing and Homes for Aged Inspected		60
Boarding Homes for Children		390
Hotels Inspected		15
Churches Inspected		10
Licensed Liquor Premises Inspected (includes re-inspections)		40
Fire Prevention Lectures — Schools and Public		200
Travelling Training School Sessions		12
No. of Firemen attending Travelling Training School Sessions		600
Baby Sitting Courses Conducted		8
Number of Students Receiving Baby Sitting Certificates		200
Number of Film Showings		650
(RECAP. of Film Showings — Schools —	40	
Hospitals —	60	
Other —	550	
	650	
Number of persons in attendance at Lectures, etc.		30,000
Literature Distributed		400,000
Civil Defence Lectures and Meetings		Nil
Lightning Rod Inspections (1967-68 installations)		260
Miscellaneous Inquiries and Requests		25,000
Lightning Rod Licenses Issued		9
Fire Extinguisher Salesman Licenses Issued		44
Coroners' Inquests involving Fire Deaths		3
Fire Department Equipment Surveys		25
Fireworks Control Act Permits Issued		15

FIRE PROTECTION INCREASES

Rural Districts Organized	15
New Fire Departments Organized	6
New Pumpers and Vehicles placed in action	10
New Alarm System Installed (Public and Private)	40
New Fire Halls Opened	4